

# Shop Committee Update

**Flex Layoffs** – On Feb. 9 the Company announced Flex will be going to one shift, as a result of continuing soft sales of our vehicles built in Flex. The present schedule for Flex is as follows:

Week of	Shift Working	
March 26	Shifts #1 & #2	
April 3	Shifts #1 & #2	
Week of	Shift on Days	Shift on Layoff
April 9	1	2
April 16	2	1
April 23	2	1
April 30	1	2
May 7	1	2
May 14	2	1
May 22	2	1
May 28	1	2

Your Shop Committee will be meeting with the Company to work out the flow rights for members that are affected. We will keep the membership updated via plant updates once we come to an agreement. The Local Agreement is very clear regarding reductions of force language and time limits.

Losing a shift is never a good thing and one thing is for certain, we cannot control customer demand.

If there is a positive in this situation it is the fact that truck sales remain strong.

No indefinite layoffs are forecast for either Production or Skilled Trades as a result.

Transformation from two shifts to one in Flex and from one shift to two shifts in Truck will be

completed in the June to mid-July timeframe.

**Summer Shutdown** – The annual plant shutdown is scheduled for the first two weeks in July, which are the weeks starting July 2 and July 9.

Anyone wishing to have additional weeks off should do so by written application on a vacation leave of absence form. This should be done by April 1.

Any members wishing to allocate vacation pay to additional weeks must do so in 40-hour increments (Monday-Friday) following the vacation shutdown if sufficient hours are available. You need to apply on a vacation deferral form.

There will be 80 hours of our vacation pay allocated to the weeks of Monday, July 2 and Monday, July 9, 2018. Vacation pay deferral requests are irrevocable.

## 2018 GM Summer Student Program

Although it has yet to be determined if there will be a need for summer students in our facility, the Company will be accepting applications. Anyone interested must apply online at <https://internationalquest.hiringplatform.com/list/GMOshawaAssembly>. The SVR application link will be available **from Feb. 12 up to and including March 16, 2018.**

This is the same link for full time or TPT applications. Once on the home page you will be able to select GM team member or 2018 Summer Student program.

***We will keep you updated as we move through this transformation of shift structure.***

***In Solidarity,***



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